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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 27, 2006

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 27, 2006 having a shortened statutory period for response extended three-months to and include July 27, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/PRVD/002/JAS, for any fees, including extension of time and excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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